Office of y^e Ordnance.

These are to Certifie that James
Hodgson hath served under me as
an Extraordinary Laborer at the
Observatory from the first day of
April to the last of June of this present
year 1696 by order of y^e Board.

£ s d

Being 91 days at 18 p diem —— 6=16=6

Witness my hand

John Flamsteed

Flamsteed John

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Office of y^e Ordnance

I doe Hereby Certify that Joseph Crosthwaite hath been employed as an Extraordinary Laborer under me from the Last Day of December Last past to y^e Last Day of March of this present year 1728. at y^e Observatory in Greenwich Park^e by Order of y^e Board.

Being 90 Days at 1^s 8^d p^r Day ——— ——— 6. 15. 00

John Hamstreed NR

" " Exam^d

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Office of ye Ordnance

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Being 91 days at 12d p day ——— £ 6. 16. 06

John Flamsteed MR

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Flamsteed (John, 1646-1719). First Astronomer Royal. Author of Historia Cœlestis Britannica.

Autograph Document signed to the Office of Ordnance. ½ page, folio. 1716.

certifying that Joseph Crossthwait had been employed under him at the Greenwich Observatory, and stating the amount due to Crossthwait for his labors.

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englischen Astronomen, geb. 19.8.1646 zu Derby, wo sein Vater Sacerdos d. Kirche „de Sphaera" dem Studium der Astronomie zugeneigt. Seit 1668 Observator zu Derby, seit 1674 zu London, wo er sich mit Newton wie Halley näher befreundete. 1676 von Karl II. zum Astronomen auf der neuerrichteten Sternwarte „Flamsteedhouse" Hammelmas in Greenwich ernannt. Er starb 31. 12. 1719 zu Greenwich. Sie eröffnete seine Briefsammlung mit einer wichtigen Abhandlung über die Längenbestimmung. Seine „Historia coelestis Britannica" (1712), die nach seinem Tode in vervollkommneter Art von Halley (1725) herausgegeben wurde, enthält die Beobachtungen von 2848 Fixsternen. Auf seine Grundlage folgte Bradleys „Atlas coelestis" (1729), der dann Lacaille eine bessere Ausgabe besorgte.

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FLAMSTEED, John

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This is written in a shaky hand, in Flamsteed's 73rd year, and one year before his death. As will be seen, the remuneration of the astronomical assistant did not rise in the meantime, and still remained at the low level of eighteen pence a day.

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The whole document is in Flamsteed's handwriting. The ' extraordinary labourer ' afterwards became Master of the Royal School of Mathematics at Christ's Hospital, and married Flamsteed's niece.

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